## **DOE Hydrogen Program Record**

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Title: Air Quality and Population
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## Item:

"Air quality is a major national concern. It has been estimated that about 50% of Americans live in areas where levels of one or more air pollutants are high enough to affect public health and/or the environment."

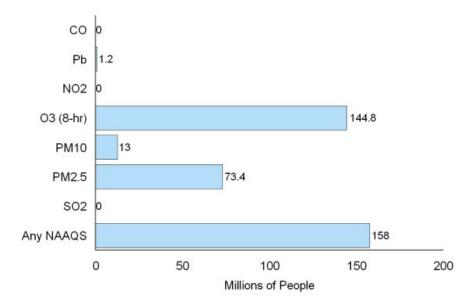
## **References:**

 $158,000,000^{a} / 305,685,570^{b} = 51.2\%$ 

Despite great progress in air quality improvement, approximately 150 million people nationwide lived in counties with pollution levels above the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) in 2007.<sup>a</sup>

a) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, "Air Trends: Basic Information," (n.d.), retrieved November 18, 2008, from <a href="http://www.epa.gov/airtrends/sixpoll.html">http://www.epa.gov/airtrends/sixpoll.html</a>.

Number of People Living in Counties with Air Quality Concentrations Above the Level of the NAAQS in 2007



b) U.S. Census Bureau, 2007 Population Estimate, retrieved November 18, 2008, from <a href="http://www.census.gov">http://www.census.gov</a>.